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SUBJECT: REPORT OF OAU PLANS TO DISPLAY NATO ARMS

REF: A. ADDIS 4486; B. ADDIS 5648

1. REFTELS REPORTED POSSIBILITY THAT AT MAY COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS AND SUMMIT MEETINGS OAU WOULD DISPLAY " NATO
ARMS" AND OTHER WAR MATERIALS CAPTURED BY LIBERATION
MOVEMENTS. DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION
YOU HAVE ON THIS SUBJECT AT THIS TIME, OR AS IT DEVELOPS
DURING THE OAU MEETINGS.

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2. SUGGEST YOU QUERY OAU SECRETARIAT ON BASIS OF PREVIOUS REPRESENTATIONS WE HAVE MADE (LATEST BEING PATTISON-OUATARRA CONVERSATION ON MARCH 3) AND INFORM THAT US WELCOMES OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE ALL ARMS ALLEGED TO BE OF US ORIGIN. YOU MAY ALSO EMPHASIZE THAT THERE ARE NO " NATO ARMS" AS SUCH AND PAST EXAMINATIONS OF SUSPECTED ARMS HAVE NOT REVEALED ARMS OF US ORIGIN OTHER THAN THOSE WHICH PREDATE THE EMBARGO ON PORTUGUESE USE OF USG WEAPONS IN AFRICA OR THOSE OBTAINED FROM SOURCES OVER WHICH USG HAS NO CONTROL. RUSH

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